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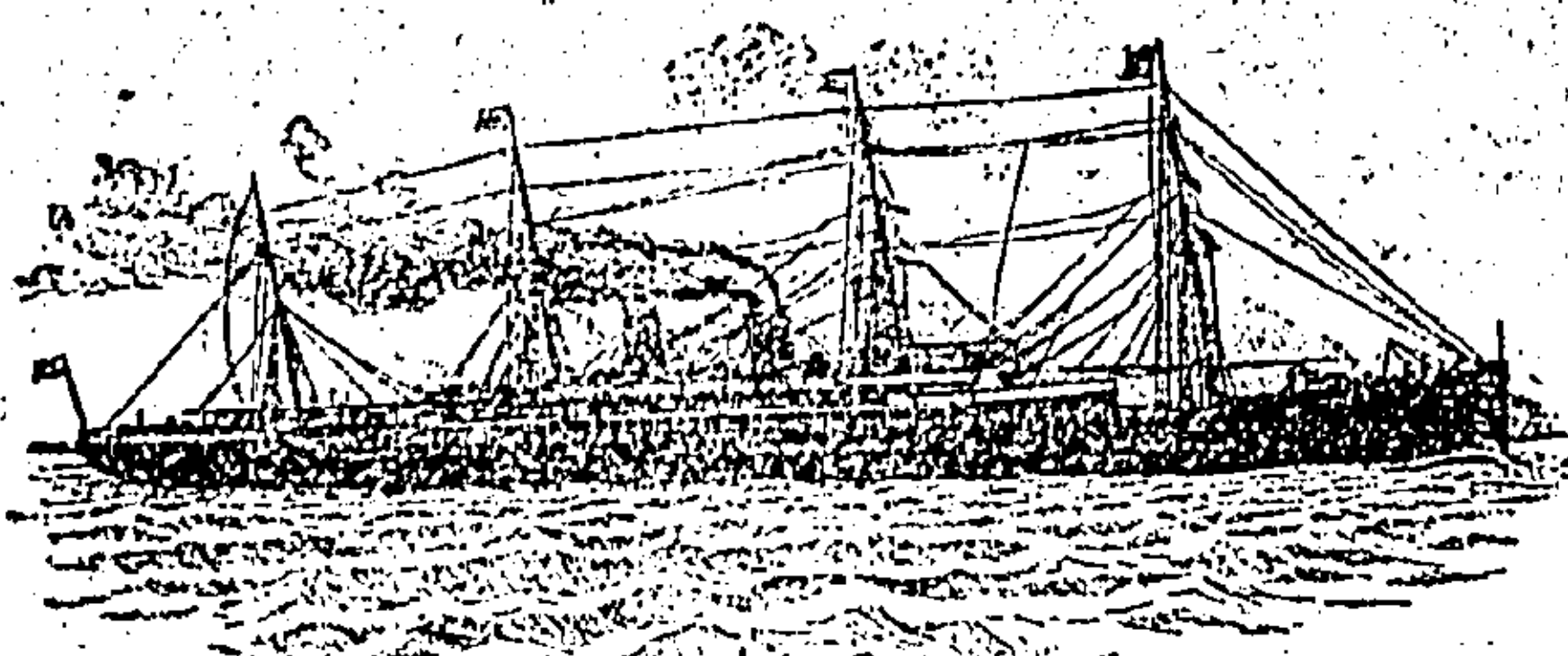
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PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO.,
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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE;

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"NIPPON MARU"	SATURDAY, 24th Jan, 1903, at Daylight.
"QUEEN OF PEKING"	TUESDAY, 3rd February, 1903, at Noon.
"GOYU"	TUESDAY, 10th February, 1903, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	TUESDAY, 17th February, 1903, at Noon.
"KUBA"	FRIDAY, 27th February, 1903, at Noon.
"GABU"	SATURDAY, 7th March, 1903, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU"	TUESDAY, 17th March, 1903, at Noon.
"CHINA"	TUESDAY, 24th March, 1903, at Noon.
"KOREA"	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1903, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE T. K. K. Company's Steamship "NIPPON MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 24th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage.—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets, making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Ports, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. THLDEN, Agent.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.
THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)
"EMPRESS" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 11th Feb, 1903.
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 25th Feb, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 11th Mar, 1903.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1903.
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, 1903.
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 13th May, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 20th May, 1903.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 27th May, 1903.

THE magnificent "EMPRESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various ports at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months. SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedler's Street.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STREAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	
AMBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	3rd Feb.	Freight.
WURZBURG	(Calling at SINGAPORE.)	10th Feb.	Freight and Passengers.
C. FERD. LAEISZ	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	26th Feb.	Freight.
Fuchs	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	10th Mar.	Freight.
BAMBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	10th Mar.	Freight.
Kirchener	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	10th Mar.	Freight.
ANDALUSIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	10th Mar.	Freight.
von Dohren	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)		

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
HONGKONG OFFICE,
No. 7, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1903.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
on
SATURDAY, the 24th January, 1903,
at 11 A.M.,
at their

Sales Rooms, Ice House Street.
One 12-Bore CENTRAL FIRE FOWLING
PIECE, by A. M. Reilly & Co. London.
One 10-Bore CENTRAL FIRE FOWLING
PIECE, by E. B. Schultze, Powder
by Welby Scott Revolver and Arms Co. Ltd,
Birmingham, and they are Specially Imported
for this market.
TERMS—Cash.

35,000 Rounds of .31 MARTIN CART-
RIDGES, 12-Bore CENTRAL FIRE
follows:—

1-4-6-10 B., BB and SSG.
5,000 of each Nos. 1, 4, 6 and 10 SHOTS
Loaded with E. B. SCHULTZE POWDER
by Welby Scott Revolver and Arms Co. Ltd,
Birmingham, and they are Specially Imported
for this market.
TERMS—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 17th January, 1903. [63c]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
SATURDAY, the 24th January, 1903,
at 2.30 P.M.,
at their

SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road,
Corner of Ice House Street,
SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Comprising:—

TEAKWOOD WARDROBE with
REVELED GLASS, OVERMANTLES,
BOOK CASE, TEAKWOOD DINING
TABLE, MARBLE TOP WASHSTAND,
PICTURES, SINGLE and DOUBLE IRON
BEDSTEADS, VIENNA CHAIRS, IRON
TABLE, with REVELED GLASS, E. P.
WARE, CARPETS, RUGS, &c., &c.;
ALSO
Two GUTHRIE PIANOS;
AND
Two RICKSHAWS.

TERMS—Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1903. [81c]

Entertainment.

KOWLOON INSTITUTE.
GRAND BENEFIT.
MONDAY, the 26th JANUARY, 1903.

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL RECITAL
in aid of
THE SAILORS AND SOLDIERS INSTITUTE
OF KOWLOON.

Miss AINSWORTH, a Graduate of the Boston
(U.S.A.) School of Oratory, has volunteered
to give Eight Recitations, embracing the
Dramatic, Heroic and Humorous.

Miss AINSWORTH will be assisted by some
of the Best Musical Talent of Hongkong.

Doors Open at 8.00 P.M.
Performance from 8.30 to 11 P.M.
Prices 5s and 1s.

TICKETS on Sale at Sailors and Soldiers
Institute, Kowloon, and ROBINSON PIANO Co.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1903. [72c]

Insurance.

"STRONGEST IN THE WORLD."
Take
Equitable Life Assurance.
All
Contracts
Have Loan and Cash Values and
Embrace all good features of
Rival Companies. The
Standing, Strength and Stability
of the Company is unquestioned.

For Rates or Information, Call on or
Address
F. KIENE,
14, Des Vaux Road.
[5c]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept Fire,
Class FOREIGN AND CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1896. [25]

Masonic.

VICTORIA PRECEPTORY
AND PRIORY.

A REGULAR MEETING of the
VICTORIA PRECEPTORY and
PRIORY will be held at the FREEMASONS'
HALL, on MONDAY, the 26th instant, at
8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Sir Knights
are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1903 [72c]

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting
of the Board of Directors of the Com-
pany, held at the Company's Office, No. 13,
Bancroft Arcade, Victoria, Hongkong, on
MONDAY, the 5th day of January, 1903, the
following Resolution was passed:—

"That in pursuance of the Special
Resolution passed on the 11th day of
November, 1901, and confirmed on the
27th day of November, 1902, a Call of Fifty Cents per Share be made
upon all holders of Ordinary Shares
in the above Company, and the same
is hereby made. Such Call to be
paid to the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation at their Office,
No. 6, Queen's Road Central, Victoria,
Hongkong, on or before the 9th day
of February, 1903."

And Notice is also given that in accordance
with Article 24 of the Company's Articles of
Association, interest at the rate of 5 per
centum per Annum will be charged upon all
Calls remaining unpaid after the 9th day of
February, 1903, up to the actual dates of
payment of the same.

Shareholders are requested to note that, upon
presentation at the Office of the Company of
the Bankers' Receipt for payment of the Call,
and surrender of existing Certificates of the
Shares pertaining thereto, new Share Cer-
tificates will be issued bearing an endorsement
of the payment of the said Call.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. KERFOOT HUGHES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1903. [11c]

Announcements.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FOUR-
TEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will
be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria
Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th January,
1903, at 11.45 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors together
with Statement of Accounts for the year
ending 31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the
17th January, to MONDAY, the 26th January,
(both Days inclusive), during which period no
Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
General Agents for
THE WEST POINT BUILDING
CO., LIMITED.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1903. [28c]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIF-
TEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will
be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria
Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th January,
1903, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors together
with Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the
17th January, to MONDAY, the 26th January,
(both Days inclusive), during which period no
Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1903. [23c]

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMA-
TION CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND
ORDINARY MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in this Company will be held at
the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria Buildings,
on MONDAY, the 26th January, 1903, at 12.30
o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with a Statement
of Accounts for the Period ending 31st
December, 1902.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 17th
January, to MONDAY, the 26th January, (both
Days inclusive) during which period no
Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1903. [49c]

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the above SOCIETY will be held on
TUESDAY, the 27th January, at 12 o'clock
in the CITY HALL.

The Public are invited to attend.
B. S. FOATE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1903. [52c]

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILD-
ING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FOUR-
TEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will
be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria
Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th February,
1903, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors together
with Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the
24th January, to MONDAY, the 26th February,
(both Days inclusive), during which period no
Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment and
Agency Co., Ltd.,
General Agents for
The Kowloon Land and Building
Co., Limited.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1903. [70c]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-THIRD ORDINARY
HALF-YEARLY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be
held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18,
Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on
SATURDAY, the 7th February, at 12 o'clock
NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report
of the Directors, together with a Statement of
Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and confirming
the Appointment of a Director and clearing
Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 24th of January
to the 7th February, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th January, 1903. [63c]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
of THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held
at the COMPANY'S OFFICES in Bank Buildings,
Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 7th
February, 1903, at 12.15 o'clock P.M., or so
soon as the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting to
be held at 12 o'clock NOON on that day shall
be concluded when the SUBJOINED RESO-
LUTION will be proposed: Should the
Resolution be passed by the required majority
it will be submitted for confirmation as a
SPECIAL RESOLUTION which will be sub-
sequently convened.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:
That the Articles of Association be altered
in manner following:—
(a) In Article (79) the word "nine"
shall be substituted for the word "seven."
(b) In Article (88) the words "nine
thousand" shall be substituted for the
words "seven thousand."
By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Dated the 17th January, 1903. [61c]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that 375 lbs. Net (40.0) per Cask or
10 Bags of 450 lbs. Net (45.0) per Bag ex
Factory.
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [19c]

PORTLAND CEMENT.

NOTICE is hereby given that 375 lbs. Net (40.0) per Cask or
10 Bags of 450 lbs. Net (45.0) per Bag ex
Factory.
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [19c]

Hotels.

GO TO THE
KOWLOON HOTEL,
KOWLOON. J. W. OSBORNE,
Proprietor.

THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL
OFFICES. EXCELLENT CUISINE AND WINES.

Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator.
Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists.

Launch Service for Guests.
For Terms, apply to
THE MANAGER. [1339c]

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

"BOA VISTA,"
(HOTEL SANITARIUM OF SOUTH CHINA)
MACAO.

THE most select Hotel in the Far-East, beautifully situated, overlooking the sea, and
affords comfortable accommodation for travellers.
The strictest supervision as to food and cleanliness is exercised by a European Manager.

Telegraphic Address: "BOA VISTA."

Entertainment.

EYES TESTED.

LENSES FOR CORRECTION OF ASTIGMATISM SPECIALLY
GROUND ON THE PREMISES. SPECTACLES EYE-GLASSES FITTED.

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INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that
the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for
DR. AUER VON WELSBACH Co.,
VIENNA,

THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT
GAS LIGHT.

ARE SELLING THE ONLY GENUINE MANTLES,
The Price of which has been reduced to
FIFTY CENTS per piece.

BEWARE OF INFERIOR IMITATIONS!

KRUSE & Co.,
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DEALERS IN JEWELLERY, PEARLS, DIAMONDS, JADESTONEWARE,
CURIOS, SILKS, CARVED IVORYWARE, AND GRASSCLOTHS,
AND

GENERAL EXPORTERS.

No. 35, Queen's Road Central,
Next Door Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 20th November, 1901. [116c]

LEVY HERMANOS.

DIAMOND MERCHANTS, JEWEL-
LERS AND WATCHMAKERS.

EASTMAN'S
KODAKS AND FILMS.

Sole Agents for "OMEGA" WATCHES.
"OMEGA" is the best, "THREE YEARS"
guarantee given to every purchaser.

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Watson's Building.

THOMAS' HOTEL.

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
HONGKONG.

THIS HOTEL, having changed hands, has
been re-fitted after the style of a First-
Class Foreign Hotel, with rooms en suite and
single furnished with every regard to perfect
comfort and convenience. The Hotel is in
very close proximity to the principal Banks and
Merchants' Offices.

MODERATE TARIFF.
Fongkong, 18th December, 1902. [1386c]

E. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
SHIPCHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,
COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS,
NAVAL CONTRACTORS,
AND GENERAL COMMISSION
AGENTS.

PRAYA CENTRAL HONGKONG
SOAP MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMANN'S RAHTJEN'S GENUINE
COMPOSITION RED HAND
BRAND, HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT,
DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR
LAUNCHES,
&c. &c. &c.

SHAW, ROBERTS & CO.,
General Agents for
F. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH
WHISKY, &c.
EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK.
AT
REASONABLE PRICES.
Hongkong, 14th May, 1896. [13c]

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL
INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

J. EYES
FLUID

AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY
ITS USE.
W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
Bank Buildings.

provisions during the entire voyage. Only
qualified European Surgeons carried.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents, C. N. Co., Ltd.
[14c]

ORDERS punctually attended to, and
CHARGES most moderate.
AN INSPECTION INVITED.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1901. [14c]

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

(By special arrangement with Der Ostasiatische Lloyd.)

Reichstag and Elections.

SECURITY TO BE OBSERVED.

BERLIN, 21st January.

10.40 a.m.

Chancellor von Bulow has informed the Reichstag that the Government intends bringing in a measure to ensure the secrecy with regard to elections.

Signor Mascagni Dismissed.

Signor Mascagni received news at Chicago that he had been dismissed from his post as Director of the Rossini Conservatoire of music.

Venezuela.

The Manager of the Discorito Gesellschaft has left for Washington to take part in the proceedings with regard to the Venezuelan question.

Feichstag and Kaiser.

VON BULOW'S ADDRESS.

1.30 p.m.

In the Reichstag Chancellor von Bulow fully expressed his position towards the Kaiser, whose views, he said, were so liberal that he knew how to face opposition. He emphatically denied that the Emperor's views were absolutely anti-socialistic and declared himself prepared to confer with the Kaiser regarding the case of the late Herr Krupp, the discussion of which was suppressed in the Reichstag by the President Count Ballestrem. He also read a friendly remark of the Emperor, which he had made with regard to social reform.

The Chancellor spoke further about the good relationship with France and said that all differences between England and Germany had been cleared away. His speech and the liberal views which he expressed have made a great impression.

China and Currency.

China's request to levy the customs duty in gold has so far not been accepted by any one of the Powers.

(Reuter's.)

Venezuela.

LONDON, January 20th.

The Venezuelans say that the German cruiser Panther tried to enter Lake Maracaibo to capture the warship Miranda. It is feared that the incident will imperil the negotiations between the Powers and Venezuela.

Morocco.

The British Vice-Consul was stoned in the streets of Fez, after dusk. The assailants who are noted bad characters were arrested and punished. The incident is not considered important.

LATER.

The "Lahn" Re-Floated.

The N. D. L. steamer Lahn has been re-floated without damage.

Marconi Telegraphy.

The King and President Roosevelt yesterday exchanged cordial messages by the Marconi system, the first transmitted between the United States and England. Mr. Marconi himself operated at Wiltset, Massachusetts, a distance from Cornwall of 3,000 miles.

Plague in South Africa.

Thirty-four cases of plague, including one European, have occurred at Durban, seventeen of which proved fatal.

The Venezuelan Arbitration.

Mr. Down has arrived at Washington.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The day set apart for the distribution of prizes at Queen's College and the reading of the Head Master's report is such an old established fixture that difficulty is experienced in finding appropriate words of eulogy with which to describe the ceremony and the meritorious nature of the scholars' work. The reports continue to reflect the greatest praise on masters and pupils, while prize winners still merit the awards for their study during the twelve months gone by. At noon to-day the large hall of the College was filled with scholars, parents and friends, and among the guests present were noticed the Hon. F. H. May (Chairman), Colonial Secretary, C. M. G., and Mrs. May, Rev. Dr. Bateson Wright, the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C. M. G., Mr. A. G. Romano, Consul-General for Portugal, Lieut. Kitto, Rev. Hickling, Lady and Miss Goodman, Mrs. Bateson Wright, Mrs. Marry, Mrs. Hance, Mr. and Mrs. Young Hae, (Inspector of Schools, native), Mrs. and Miss Craig, Mr. and Mrs. Ah Kee, Mr. Farmer, Mr. Levy, Rev. G. Dunbury, Mr. G. Perry, Rev. Southam, Mr. Sham, Messrs. Sykes, A. COTTAM & CO. FOR TRESS'S STRAW AND FELT HATS.

J. May, E. Ralphs, A. W. Grant, B. Tanner, R. Seymour, A. Bird, and A. H. Crook. Punctually at noon, while the guns of the fleet were booming out in honour of the King's accession, the Rev. Dr. Bateson Wright took his stand at the rostrum, and in a clear voice, that could be heard throughout the large hall, commenced the reading of his excellent annual report.

He said:—Ladies and gentlemen, the following is the annual report on this College for the year 1902:—

Queen's College, 10th January, 1903. Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.

Sir,—I have the honour to present the annual report on Queen's College for the year 1902.

1. The total number on the Roll was 1,434, a slightly lower figure than in the previous year. This reduction is one of many indications of considerable improvement in attendance; for with fewer boys and with seven school days less there is actually an increase of 15,662 attendances in the course of the year. Again, the number on Roll exceeded 1,000 in nine months and 1,100 in four; while the average daily attendance is 1,090. When it is remembered that, in the summer, plague, cholera, and dengue fever were prevalent, it must be admitted that a steady attendance under these conditions is highly commendable.

2. The fees were short of \$30,000 by only \$121. The cost of the College is enhanced by the fact that the fees of free scholars are not credited to this department, though \$216 is the annual cost of educating student interpreters for the Registrar General's Department, and \$180 for the charitable education of children of public servants, which does not include the four Free Scholarships granted annually to encourage education in the Government District Schools of Saiyungpun, Wansai, &c., &c. It appears to me that this last is the only item fairly chargeable to Education; the cost of the other two items should, if possible, be defrayed elsewhere as a matter of account.

3. It is just five years since the services of Mr. J. W. Jones were first loaned to the Supreme Court for twelve months. It was, therefore, quite as much a matter of congratulation to the College as to Mr. Jones, when in October last, the news of his permanent transfer to be Deputy Registrar as from 7th June, 1901, reached the Colony. No surprise can be excited at the decision of the Secretary of State that in the future Educational Officers are not to hold acting appointments in other departments. I venture, however, to express a hope that this does not mean an absolute negation of the possibility of permanent transfer elsewhere. The experience of the Government in the cases of Messrs. Arthur, Jones and Woodcock would appear to justify the conclusion that Assistant Masters are capable of performing excellent service elsewhere; and I maintain that the effect of such transfer on Queen's College is a salutary one; there being the stimulus to exertion with a view to the recognition of the Government and the infusion of new blood into the English staff from time to time.

4. Once again we have at last ten English masters. Mr. Tanner has been promoted to the Senior Grade. To fill the three vacancies amongst the Junior Assistant Masters, Mr. Bird was appointed in October, Mr. Crook arrived a few days ago, and Mr. Ellis is shortly expected. In addition to being University men of marked careers (Oxford and Dublin respectively), Messrs. Bird and Crook have had the advantage of practical experience as schoolmasters; and will doubtless prove valuable acquisitions. Mr. Deal, last May, went on leave for the second time in nineteen years' service.

5. The report of the Education Committee recommends the appointment of an eleventh English master, which appears necessary, there being now 200 more boys daily receiving instruction than when ten English masters were deemed necessary.

6. Mr. James Cheong, Graduate of Melbourne University, who for more than three years did excellent and successful work as acting English assistant master, resigned at the end of August last, on proceeding to Oxford. In April, Mr. Wong Mi-g, 3rd Chinese Assistant, was loaned to the Ministry for twelve months. In October, Mr. Un-Kam Wa, 4th Chinese Assistant, a useful and energetic master, resigned to act as interpreter and translator for a local legal firm. The resignation of the full complement on the English staff will terminate the excessive strain thrown, during the last few years, on the Chinese staff by temporary promotions and appointments; I cannot, however, withhold from these young men, especially the acting pupil teachers, the well-deserved meed of praise for their cheerful energy in the discharge of their difficult duties.

7. The desire of the Government to promote and encourage greater attention to the study of Chinese amongst natives and English alike has not been without its effect on this College. Several Chinese assistants formed themselves into a class, and at their own cost engaged a native teacher, chiefly for improvement in style. Mr. Bird has begun the study of Chinese. Though I do not think that the knowledge of Chinese, written and spoken, should, as so often, be obligatory on all masters, there can be no doubt that even a small acquaintance with the language of the boys is desirable, to maintain the proper efficiency and discipline of the College.

8. Messrs. Ralphs, Grant and Tanner deserve warm congratulations upon the excellent results at the Oxford Local Examinations held last July. Twenty certificates were obtained by Queen's College boys; 3 Senior, 6 Junior, and 11 Preliminary. The mark G next in order to distinction was obtained no less than 16 times; chiefly in Arithmetic and History. I am glad to note that Chinese boys are again coming to the fore, both in position and number of passes.

10. The good results at the half-yearly examination (a practice instituted by myself in 1882) led me to anticipate satisfactory improvement at the close of the year, and I felt justified in saying that I have not been disappointed.

11. Messrs. Ross and Kitto, appointed independent Examiners of the Upper School, made a separate report. I would beg leave, on behalf of masters and boys, to express our sense of the kindness and consideration shown by the examiners. (Applause.)

12. The examination of the Lower and Preparatory Schools was conducted by myself under Standing Orders from the Governing Body. The whole tone of the examination is higher than that of the previous year, the improvement being chiefly attributable to greater regularity in attendance as reported above. With the exception of the Grammar paper in the three sections of Class IV, there was absolutely none of the provoking practice of inserting silly or irrelevant information. No further comment upon the Summary and Table below is needed than the statement that the Lower School has distinguished itself by marked general improvement; and the Preparatory School, taught by Acting Pupil Teachers, under the charge of a Senior Pupil Teacher has maintained its usual high level.

Lower School.—423 boys examined, 382 passed. Preparatory School 137 " 94 " 92%.

Total 560 " 576 " 92%.

[Table of Percentage of Passes not printed]

13. Observations on individual subjects:—
Reading.—Though few failures occurred, it was rare to be able to assign marks higher than 80 per cent. I make a point of treating most severely the mispronunciation of common words. (This morning I find we have over 90 per cent.)

Conversation.—As usual, the percentage of passes is low. I applied a slightly higher standard of intelligence.

Arithmetic.—Very good, especially the writing. A very marked improvement on the results of recent years. A large number of boys successfully solved the usual sort of problems. The work was neat and less craved into out-of-the-way corners.

Grammar.—Very satisfactory, with the exception of one class. The masters of the three sections of Class IV admitted the questions to be fair, if not actually easy; yet the fact remains that the great bulk of the boys failed to get 50 per cent. marks. Knowing from personal observation that these masters taught this subject very carefully, I can only conclude that they had been paying more particular attention to other details.

Geography.—Good. I expected that more boys would have been acquainted in Class IV with the draining operations of the Emperor Yu, and in Class V with the diurnal and annual motions of the earth.

Map-drawing from memory.—Excellent. The maps of Hongkong, Africa, and the 18 Provinces of China, that obtained over 80 per cent. marks were wonderful specimens of handiwork and feats of memory.

Composition.—Very good indeed. The employment of suitable phrases, not dictated by me, was very successful and praiseworthy. Chinese to English.—Satisfactory. More boys made laudable attempts to translate the unseen piece that formed the fifth question in each paper.

English to Chinese.—This subject was, as usual, marked by the Second Master (Mr. A. J. May), who found himself able to award a very large proportion of high marks.

14. I do not know who is responsible for the extraordinary statement in the Colonial Office List that several valuable Government scholarships are attached to Queen's College. The following is a complete list of the scholarships, all locally promoted and maintained without any assistance from the Government. Morrison Senior and Junior Scholarships, each tenable for three years; Stewart Scholarship for one year; Bellios Senior and Junior Scholarships, each tenable for two years.

15. The non-Chinese boys, past and present, assisted by the friends of the late Mr. W. Macell, have raised a small sum to endow a Special Prize in memory of his devoted zeal in behalf of the interests of the non-Chinese Chinese Class. In spite of the handsome allowance for Prizes from the Government, we should be poorly off to provide recognition for our sixty scholars deserving of distinction, were it not for the generous beneficence of the public. The following is a list of the present contributors:—The Consul-General for Portugal, Messrs. Arculli and Durabjee Nowrojee, Messrs. Chan Heisan, Chan Pak-cheung, Fung Wa Chun, Ho Fook, Ho Koon-tung, Ho Tung, Ip Shui Kam, Ko Yik Kun, Lau Chak Min, Leung Yau-wo, Lo Cheung-shing, Le Tat Luk, King-fu, Mok Man-cheung, Ng Kwok-chung, Sin Tak-fan, Tsoi Laptoy, U Hang Kam, Wong Kam-tuk, Yung Hing-ping, Yung Shing-po, the Directors of the Tung Wa Hospital and others.

16. The school magazine "Yellow Dragon," the Reading, Cricket and Football Clubs, continue to flourish. A novelty in 1902 was a Boys' Pair-oared Race, introduced into the Regatta by the kindness of the Victoria and Hongkong Rowing Clubs. Our crew, consisting of the brothers Bunje, coxswain Sayer, were coached by Mr. Bird, and won a well-earned race.

17. For the Gymnasium, first mooted three years ago by Hon. J. Stewart Lockhart and mentioned in my last annual report, we have to wait indefinitely. The appliances to be used temporarily in the basement of the College at a cost of about \$100, we may expect to get in the year 1904.

18. The usual tables of statistics are attached (not printed).

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient Servant, GEO. H. BATESON WRIGHT, D.D. (Oxon), Head Master.

Dr. Wright continuing said:—I must first offer a word of apology for inviting you and these ladies and gentlemen here to a building that is manifestly in a somewhat untidy condition. My first impulse was to make the function perfectly private, and to hand over the prizes myself, but on further consideration I felt I was not justified in depriving prize-winners and their parents of much of the enjoyment resulting from publicity and to deprive us all of the benefit of our annual address. I ventured to ignore the somewhat chaotic conditions produced by repairs to the roof (applause). I may add that H.E. the Governor is not deterred by the state of the Hall from coming here on this occasion, but other important engagements prevent his being present to-day. Though this is naturally a disappointment, at the same time we desire to express a very hearty welcome to you, Sir. Not only do your high positions as Colonial Secretary and Chairman of the Governing Body render you specially fitted to preside on this occasion, but your long and successful career in this Colony is a still better claim. Before your recent popular promotion you have, Sir, as Assistant and Acting Colonial Secretary been intimately acquainted with the history both of this College and of education in the Colony generally. Few men too have a better knowledge of the character of the Chinese race, and of the difficulties and beauty of the Chinese language and literature (applause). With these few words I will now ask you, Sir, to distribute the prizes and then favour us with an address (applause).

The prizes were then distributed as follows:—

OXFORD LOCALS 1902.

Senior.—Bunje, E. T. H., A.A.
Siles, M. D., A.A.
Hung Kwok-leung, A.A.
Junior.—Tam Wai-kwong
Bunje, H.
Ho Yan-sik
Li Ho-ching
Tse Tsok-kai
Preliminary.—Abwee, A.
Hung Tschu
Lee, W. H.
Pang Kwok-sui
Alonzo, D.
Curreen, C. V.
Walling, H.
Ford, W. F.
Alarackia, C.
Lu Hung-lok

SCHOLARSHIPS.

Morrison, Senior.
Non-Chinese.—Bunje, E. T. H.
Chinese.—Ho Yan-sik
Morrison, Junior.
Chan King-leuk, IV. A.
Stewart.—Li Ho-ching, I. A.
Bellios, Senior.—Bunje, C. N. I.
Junior.—Lui Lo-cheung, III. A.

SP. CIAL PRIZES.

Translation, E. to C.—Li Ho-ching, I. A.
C to E.—Li Ho-ching, I. A.
C to E.—Tse Tsok-kai, I. A.

HISTORY.

I. A. Hung Kwok-leung
I. B. Cheung King-shang
N. I. Bunje, H. F.
N. I. Mooney, W.
II. A. Fung Pak-ki
II. B. Lun Kai-in
N. 3. Markin, C. G.
III. A. Lui Lo-cheung
III. B. Un Kwong
III. C. Chi Po-lam

COMPOSITION.

I. A. Ho Yan-sik
N. I. Bunje
N. II. Dixon, R.
II. A. Chan Tak-fai
II. B. Chan Pak-kong
N. III. Mooney, R.
N. IV. White, J. R.
III. A. Cheung King-shang
III. B. Wan Hing-ung
III. C. Chi Po-lam

MATHEMATICAL PRIZE.

Hung Kwok-leung, I. A.
MACCELL MEMORIAL.
Bunje, C.

CLASS PRIZES.

I. A. Ho Yan-sik (Morrison).
2. Hung Kwok-leung (Math).
3. Li Ho-ching (Stewart).
4. Chan Shu-yui
I. B. Cheung King-shang
N. I. Bunje, H.
2. Dalabash, A. K.
Alarackia, U.

N. II. 1. Ahwee, A. A.
2. Mooney, W.
Judah, J.

II. A. 1. Lai Chui-kin
2. Fung Pak-ki
3. Tung Shuk-fan

II. B. 1. Wong Wai-sin
2. Chan Pak-kong
3. Chan Shui-lun

N. III. 1. Galluzzi, R.
2. Galluzzi, R.
Teitel, C.

N. IV. 1. Yamasaki, M.
2. Safford, A. M.
Aliculi, A.

III. A. 1. Lui Lo-cheung (Bel. Jr.).
2. Wong Man-yan
3. Lo Ting-ai

III. B. 1. Un Kwong
2. Chan Cheuk-wing
3. Chi Po-lam

III. C. 1. Lung Shu-kau
2. Chan King-luk (Mor. Jr.).
3. Chan King-kwong

IV. A. 1. Luk I-yan
2. Cheng Kwan
3. Wong Hoi-man

IV. B. 1. Lo Tsik-ku
2. Chau Kam-tung
3. Mak Shiu-yin

V. A. 1. Tung Ting-fong
2. Fung Cheung
3. Lam Kwok-san

V. B. 1. Lo Kam-cheung
2. Pang Tsung-ling
3. Un Ng-sung

VI. A. 1. Kwok Tsan-kong
2. Li Kwong
3. Wan Wai-sham

VI. B. 1. Yau Wan
2. Lam Ming-chung
3. Wong Ping-chiu

VII. A. 1. Leung Wing
2. Chung Kam-tong
3. Hyndman, H.

VII. B. 1. Wong Lam-cho
2. U Yuk-shang
3. Chi Kong-on

VII. C. 1. Chan Un-eh
2. Chan Fung-yin
3. Chan Kwan

VIII. A. 1. Yung Shu-ping
2. Li Lun-kwai

VIII. B. 1. Lui Tung
2. Li Ting-so

VIII. C. 1. Fung Kam-tong
2. Ho Wing-chiu

The Hon. F. H. May said:—Dr. Wright, ladies and gentlemen. Referring first to the latter part of Dr. Wright's remarks, I may say at once that it has afforded me a great deal of pleasure to have had the privilege of coming here to-day to present the prizes. I may add that I do not think there was any necessity on Dr. Wright's part to make any excuse on the apparent condition of this room. From recent experience in connection with buildings in Hongkong I am sure, many of the guests here to-day, feel much happier under a roof which we can see is well supported. It is not one which is under the least taint of suspicion (laughter). The report which Dr. Wright has been good enough to read, taken in conjunction with the report of the independent examiners, which I have had the privilege of seeing, is, I think, extremely good (applause). Perhaps the most satisfactory feature in Dr. Wright's report is the statement that the attendances have been much better than in the previous year. That is to say, the boys have been more regular in their attendance. In every institution in which Chinese are educated that I have had any connection with, the great stumbling block to progress has been the irregular attendance of the pupils. In addition to the ordinary regular holidays they absent themselves for feasts, festivals, marriages, birthdays, and these extraordinary recurring illnesses and even deaths of near relatives (laughter). The result of the better and more regular attendance is shown in Dr. Wright's report when he says the quality of the work shown by the lower school has been a marked improvement on that shown during the previous year. The report of the independent examiners is distinctly good, and they say that the boys at the head of the school have shown some really excellent work. They remark that, when it is reflected that the work done by Chinese boys is done in English, which is to them a foreign language, the result is extremely satisfactory (applause), but they add that it is to be regretted that boys, who can do so well in English, should, with one or two exceptions, be so weak in the knowledge of their own written language. Dr. Wright has referred to the Commission which inquired last year into education generally in this Colony, and no doubt he would like to divulge some State secrets this morning, and tell him how far the recommendations that will affect this College will be carried out. But I am not in a position to do so, although there is one thing I can tell you, and that is, the classes for teaching the Chinese language are to be re-opened in this College (applause). Personally, I shall be very glad if such a change is made. I have had considerable experience, during my official career in Hongkong, of clerks and interpreters in the Government service, a great many of whom are drawn from this College and, although I say that some of the best clerks in the Government service are old pupils of the Victoria College (applause), still I may state, as a general fact, that their weak point, as a rule, is the want of knowledge of their own written language, and I hope that the change, to which I have just referred, may bring about an improvement in that direction (applause). Having said this much about the College I would like to say a few words to you, boys. I remember, in the year 1880, which had a very severe winter in Ireland, when the country was all frozen and the roads all covered with ice, that I was out shunting one day, and I turned into one of our little national schools to see how they were getting on, and just as I entered I heard the master upbraiding a small boy for being so late. He said, "How is this, Dennis, that you are late again?" "Well, sir," said the boy, "the roads were that slippery that every step I took in advance I slipped back two." "How then," said the master, "did you manage to arrive at the school at all?" "Oh!" said Dennis with native wit, "I managed it by turning my back on the school" (laughter). Now, seriously enough, in the year 1895-15 years afterwards—I was attached for a time on leave at home to the Royal Irish Constabulary Police Force, and I met there this very same boy, grown up and then going in for the sergeant's examination in that renowned Police Force. I recognised him, and I said, "Dennis, are you as fond of sliding as ever?" "Oh!" he said to me "your honour, I often regret the time I wasted on sliding. If I had attended more to my books I would not have any difficulty now in passing the examinations in this Police Force." Now you, boys here, who are British subjects owe a great debt to the British Empire (hear, hear, and applause), and you boys here, who are Chinese subjects, you too owe a debt to this Colony and the Empire, of which it forms a part, but I will admit you owe even a greater debt to the neighbouring Chinese Empire, the place of your birth (applause). You can, all of you, if you attend to your work and cultivate habits of industry and a conscientious work which is just as easy to cultivate as habits of idleness and carelessness; I say you can all become useful and even influential citizens of whichever Empire you elect to serve; for, in the British Empire as in the neighbouring Chinese, there is no position under that of the sovereign to which man, by his individual merit and his individual exertions may not attain (applause). An ancient Roman said, that it was a glorious thing to die for one's country. I would ask you to believe that it is an equally glorious thing to live and work for your country (hear, hear), day by day, and year by year (applause). In conclusion, I would congratulate Dr. Wright and the masters and pupil teachers, who worked under him, on the good results of their labours during the year under review, and I would wish you all boys a very happy holiday (loud applause).

The Rev. Dr. Wright said:—Sir, I have to thank you very much for your instructive address to the boys. The statement that we are to have Chinese schools restored to us once more will be very welcome to the masters and I should think, to a large number of the boys, certainly to the parents. I trust the boys will carry away some recollections of the story of the Irishman, who went to school by turning his back on it, and will benefit next term by the recollection that he afterwards found out he had better have gone with his face towards it. You have pointed out very clearly, Sir, some difficulties that we have to deal with in Chinese customs, and I do wish that some of the Chinese parents who may be up in the gallery or elsewhere, would remember it is a serious loss to the school, if boys are taken away to attend cousin's weddings and other feasts which interrupt the school career. I thank you, Sir, for your kindness in coming here, and for your interesting remarks. I would ask you to tell the boys to be back on Saturday, the 23rd February, at nine o'clock.

The Hon. May having made the announcement, the proceedings terminated with cheers for the King, whose presence added the Head Master.

Commercial.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

As we anticipated, BANK shares are very scarce and buyers can be found at \$10 over last quotation, say \$690. HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOATS CO. sales at \$37.75 to \$38. Prices for INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO. are irregular, the quotation being purely nominal at \$38 to \$40. STAR FERRIES are inquired for, and sales have been effected at \$25 to \$26.25 and \$14. CHINA SUGARS have been placed at \$21. HONGKONG & WHANPOA DOCKS have again been done at \$30.25. KOWLOON GODOWNS are quieter and sellers at \$9. Small sales of HONGKONG LANDS at \$18, but there are sellers freely at that quotation. HONGKONG HOTELS are wanted at \$12.25. Buyers can be found for GREEN IS. CEMENT CO. at \$21.25.

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OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—
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To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on SATURDAY, the 24th January, 1903, at 11.30 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, 200 Cases SCOTCH WHISKY, 50 Cases CHAMPAGNE, 15 Cases RUM, 20 Cases GIN, 10 Kegs BRANDY—10 Gallons each, 4 Kegs GIN—10 Gallons each, 12 Cases CHEESE, &c., &c. A Quantity of ASSORTED WINES. TERMS—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 22nd January, 1903.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CLUB will be held in the CLUB HOUSE, on TUESDAY, the 3rd February, 1903, at 5 P.M. for the purpose set forth in the Notice posted in the Hall of the Club. By Order, C. H. GARCE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1903. [930]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 28 and 29, Queen's Central, on SATURDAY, 7th February, 1903, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1902. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 11th February, both Days inclusive. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 22nd January, 1903. [930]

VICTORIA LODGE.

No. 1026, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the REGENT'S HALL, Zealand Street, T.O. NIGHT, the 22nd instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 22nd January, 1903. [1840]

EOTHEN MARK LODGE.

No. 264.

A NECESSARY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the REGENT'S HALL, Zealand Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant, at 5 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 22nd January, 1903. [1910]

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